

## HAMILTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE BOARD MARCH 26, 2007

The Hamilton County Solid Waste Board met on Monday, March 26, 2007 in the Commissioners Courtroom in the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana. Vice President Altman called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m. Altman declared a quorum present of Christine Altman, John Ditslear, Steven C. Dillinger and Steven A. Holt. Jim Belden, Dan Henke and Charlie White were absent.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Dillinger motioned to approve the minutes of February 26, 2007. Ditslear seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Household Hazardous Waste Center**

Steve Wood stated the Household Hazardous Waste Center (HHW) is busy. We help with sandbagging operations if needed. Electronic collections are very busy. Tire collections are above anticipated levels.

### **New Business**

Dillinger asked Ditslear if there is a reason the Noblesville Police Department does not respond to illegal dumping at the HHW Center because it is under a county ordinance. Ditslear stated he does not see why there would be a distinction. Dillinger stated he is not sure that we should be letting people on the site after hours. Wood stated we had discussed fencing this area a couple of years ago and general consensus was that they want everyone to be able to use the recycling 24/7. Dillinger stated on the surface that sounds good but the reality is not good. Wood stated a HHW employee comes in every Saturday and Sunday morning and evening to pick up items that are left outside. Altman suggested hiring someone part-time so we are open every Saturday morning? Dillinger stated he thinks we should gate it and fence it. Holt stated the logical thing is to track how much time is spent on clean-up and then decide if we should spend money on a fence. Somebody is always going to break the rules. We will slow the city recycling down if the site is not open 24/7. Holt stated Saturday afternoon and Sunday are good times for people to drop off recycling. Dillinger stated he still thinks it needs to be fenced and not have an area to dump. Holt stated he is there almost every weekend and he has seen some people at the recycling and a couple of people leave items at the HHW Center and he has told them they can not leave items at the center. Wood stated they will get 75-100 gallons of paint and materials left outside on a weekend. They handle that by doing the two checks on Saturday and Sunday. This is a process we would love to not have to do but people use the recycling center all weekend. If we put gates up to close the recycling center off he is afraid people will leave their items at the front of the gates and that will be a bigger mess. Wood stated we can ask the Noblesville Police Department and Sheriff's department to issue fines when they are caught. Ditslear stated he will take that up with the police department. Dillinger suggested fencing and keeping the center open longer hours. Wood stated they have people dropping off items at 1:00 a.m. Altman suggested installing a high grade security camera that can track license plates and then prosecute them. Wood stated when they installed the signs the after hours drop-offs have gone down. Wood agreed the back section should be fenced off, which we could leave open with gates during the 4-H Fair. This would leave the recycling dumpsters open and less of an area to dump things in. Dillinger motioned to

investigate a fence for the back lot. Ditslear seconded. Altman, Dillinger, Ditslear approved. Holt opposed. Motion not approved due to lack of votes. Ms. Robin Mills asked if anyone from the 4-H Council has spoken to any of the Board members regarding a fence in regards to the Humane Society during the 4-H Fair? Holt stated neither side has raised that issue. Mills stated she believes there will be a huge problem during the 4-H Fair if something is not done.

Altman asked Wood if the dog feces issues have been cleared up? Wood stated Ms. Stevens stopped by to see him after the last meeting and he showed her that nothing had been picked up as promised. They don't come on our property anymore but they go to the 4-H Grounds with their dogs.

#### **Approval of Claim Docket**

Holt motioned to approve the Claim Docket for a total of \$11,080.00. Ditslear seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ditslear motioned to adjourn the meeting. Dillinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Present**

Christine Altman, Commissioner  
Steven C. Dillinger, Commissioner  
John Ditslear, Mayor of Noblesville  
Steven A. Holt, Commissioner  
Robin M. Mills, Auditor  
Stephen Wood, HHW Director  
Kim Rauch, Administrative Assistant to Auditor